

**Clean Colorado River Alliance  
Meeting Notes  
December 2, 2005  
Yuma, Arizona**

***Clean Colorado River Alliance Mission***

*Develop recommendations to address existing water quality issues to ensure Colorado River water quality meets the needs of Arizona, now and in the future.*

**Attendees**

Dean Barlow, Lake Havasu Parks Board  
Aubrey Baure, U.S. Air Force/Department of Defense REC 9  
Becky Blasius, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation  
Jennifer Botsford, Arizona Department of Health Services  
Joan Card, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality  
Kathy Carroll, City of Yuma  
Susan Craig, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality  
Charlene Fernandez, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality  
Roger Gingrich, City of Yuma  
Jennifer Green, Bureau of Land Management Yuma Field Office  
Susanna Hitchcock, City of Yuma  
Kirk Koch, Bureau of Land Management Colorado River District  
Hsin-I Lin, Arizona Department of Health Services  
Patty Mead, Mohave County Department of Public Health  
Doug Mellon, Doug Mellon Farms Inc.  
David Modeer, City of Tucson  
Mayor Larry Nelson, City of Yuma  
Steve Olson, Arizona Municipal Water Users Association  
Gary Pasquinelli, Pasquinelli Produce Company  
Rachel Patterson, Mohave County Department of Public Health  
Amy Porter, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation  
Frank Putman, Arizona Department of Water Resources  
Robert Shuler, Ryley, Carlock & Applewhite  
Jeffery Smith, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado River – HAZMAT  
David Weedman, Arizona Game and Fish Department  
Bill Werner, Arizona Department of Water Resources  
Doyle Wilson, Lake Havasu City

**Welcome and Introductions**

*Joan Card – Water Quality Division Director, ADEQ*

- Welcome and introductions
- Discussion on purpose of meeting - Discuss the complete draft CCRA Report, recommendations and changes and steps for finalization

## **Opening Remarks**

*Mayor Nelson - City of Yuma*

- Thank you for work done by Alliance
- Yuma faces growth issues
- Farmers in area doing leading edge water conservation – switching from irrigation to drip system

## **Complete Draft CCRA Report Overview**

*Joan Card - Water Quality Division Director, ADEQ and Susan Craig, Watershed Supervisor, ADEQ*

- Thank you to Alliance – remarkable for diverse group with no professional assistance
- Appreciate ADEQ's Communications Department for efforts
- ADEQ edited report for uniformity among chapters
- Suggest big tickets items be added to executive summary for more powerful overall recommendations

## **Discuss Proposed Recommendations and Changes**

*Alliance*

- Potential revisions discussed for executive summary, introduction, each pollutant chapter and the conclusions
- Alliance decided to add a section in the executive summary on specific recommendations for Governor Napolitano - recommendations include:
  - Attend and coordinate with the Western Governors Association (Western States Water Council sub-committee) – encourage coordination with other basin state on water quality monitoring and improvement projects
  - Fund Title II of the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act
  - Federal funding for the Colorado River Regional Sewer Coalition (CRRSCo) to meet wastewater infrastructure needs and protect the Colorado River from further degradation from nitrate concentration caused by inadequate sewage treatment

## **Water Quality Improvement Project Ideas**

*Joan Card, Water Quality Division Director, ADEQ*

*Several ideas were discussed throughout, however, time did not allow for a specific conservation on water quality improvement project ideas.*

## **Steps for Finalization**

*Joan Card, Water Quality Division Director, ADEQ*

- ADEQ will do their best to make all revisions discussed
- ADEQ hopes to hand deliver CCRA Report on December 9, 2005

## **Adjourn**